Mountain Weather Forecast

Northwest Highlands

Including Sutherland, Ben Wyvis, Wester Ross, The Cuillin, Glen Affric, Glen Shiel and Knoydart
Forecast valid from 06:00 on Monday 15 Mar 2021 until 23:59 on Tuesday 16 Mar 2021

Forecast Issued on Monday 15 Mar 2021 at 03:00 by Met Office Aberdeen

Confidence: Generally high for Monday and Tuesday, although a couple of hours uncertainty in clearance time for rain Tuesday morning and strength of summit winds through Tuesday. Some uncertainty in cloud amounts Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Headline for Monday 15 Mar 2021: Dry and bright to start, cloud increasing, rain in the evening.

Mountain weather hazards on Monday 15 Mar 2021

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy Snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** No Likelihood
Gales No Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** Low Likelihood
Thunderstorms No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** No Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 800m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Fog	Sunny intervals	Cloudy	Sleet	Sleet	Light rain
Precipitation probability					
10%	30%	30%	60%	60%	90%

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Weather: Showers largely die out in the morning then a mostly dry bright day. Cloud thickens in the afternoon with rain reaching the west coast shortly before dusk, spreading inland in the evening.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: 60%, falling to 10% or less from late afternoon.

Visibility: Mostly very good, but occasional cloud lowering to 600-800m across western hills in the morning. Becoming very poor from late afternoon at height with extensive cloud lowering to around 300-400m in the west, 500-600m in the east.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	20/23 NW	11/14 W	10/14 W	11/16 SW	16/21 S	24/30 SW	22/28 SW
900	19/22 NW	10/13 W	10/14 W	11/15 SW	15/19 S	22/28 SW	20/26 SW
600	11/15 NW	8/11 W	9/12 W	9/13 SW	12/16 S	13/19 SW	12/18 SW
300	1/16 NW	1/10 W	4/11 W	3/12 SW	2/13 S	3/17 SW	3/17 SW
Glen	4/10 NW	1/4 W	3/7 W	3/8 SW	4/12 S	4/10 SW	4/12 SW

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
1000	-2/-9	-1/-6	-1/-5	-0/-5	1/-5	2/-4	2/-4
900	-1/-7	-0/-5	0/-4	1/-4	1/-4	3/-3	3/-3
600	2/-3	2/-2	3/-1	3/-0	3/-1	4/0	4/1
300	3/2	4/3	6/4	6/5	5/4	5/4	6/4
Glen	5/4	6/6	8/7	8/8	7/6	7/6	8/6
Freezing Level*	700m	800m	900m	1000m	1600m	1900m	1700m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Met Office Aberdeen Meteorologist's View
Freezing level generally 200m higher than in table Skye southwards. Turning milder overnight.

Forecast for Tuesday 16 Mar 2021
Weather: Mild with low cloud and outbreaks of rain through the early hours, clearing shortly before dawn. Then a dry day with plenty of sunshine, but strong winds across the tops. Dry with patchy cloud overnight.

Maximum wind: Northwest 35 mph gusting 50-55 mph in the morning, easing to 20-25 gusting 35 mph through the afternoon.

Chance of cloud free mountain/hill tops above 800m: Nil through the early hours. 90% or more soon after dawn.

Visibility: Poor to start with cloud extensive down to low levels, but soon becoming excellent with cloud lifting and dispersing after dawn. Some patchy cloud may persist for a few hours in the morning above 600m.

Temperature: **Glens:** Plus 7 Celsius rising to 9 Celsius, falling to plus 4 Celsius in the evening.
At 800m: Plus 3 Celsius, falling to zero Celsius in the evening.
Freezing level: Above the summits, dropping to 1000m around dawn.

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